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Salisbury University's Student Voice

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Salisbury named one of 100 best communities

By Byron Hurd
Staff Writer

The City of Salisbury and surrounding Wicomico County was named one of the top 100 communities in the nation for young people.

Each year, America's Promise, the Alliance for Youth list the 100 best communities for youth involvement

and development based on local programs, agencies, and individuals committed to bettering children's lives.

Among the programs cited in the 2007 application were the Lower Shore Child Care Resource Center, Salisbury's Promise and ShoreCorps/PALS (Partnership for Adolescents on the Lower Shore).

Emphasis was also placed on the SU-hosted Youth Leadership Academy which was co-sponsored by Salisbury's Promise, the Wicomico County Local Management Board, and Kids of Honor.

Through the Academy, 70 children worked with local policymakers and service providers to develop

public interest campaigns and promote a positive message within the community.

"I believe it shows that a number of area organizations such as Salisbury University are sponsoring a number of programs and events that provide area children the 5 promises: caring adult, healthy start, safe place, marketable skills, and opportunities

to serve," said Dr. Whitehead.

America's Promise promotes five guidelines or "promises" that should be made and kept to promote the welfare of children. According to America's Promise, children who receive at least four of the five promises are significantly more likely to develop social competence, the desire to volunteer, the tendency to

avoid violence and the skills necessary to get good grades in school.

For more information about America's Promise, visit www.americaspromise.org. To get involved in Salisbury's Promise, contact Dr. George Whitehead at giwhitehead@salisbury.edu or visit www.salisburyspromise.org.



Steve Wackett photo

According to Nick Kinhart of the Salisbury Fire Department, the 1980 Mack truck has served its time and the department is in need of an upgrade to a newer model. The truck is in decent working order, but a lot of time and money is spent on maintenance. The upgrade would include a one hundred foot ladder with a bucket and would be pre-piped to decrease time required for set up at the scene of the fire. The new truck should better the fire company's responsiveness and overall reliability.

SU pledges \$200,000 to fire dept.

By Megan Wintersteen
Editor in Chief

Salisbury University President Janet Dudley-Eshbach announced the donation of \$200,000 toward a new aerial ladder truck for the Salisbury Fire Department last week.

"Through the years, Salisbury University has worked in partnership with the City of Salisbury to help ensure safer and more secure neighborhoods," said Dudley-Eshbach.

The donation will be paid out in five annual installments of \$40,000 beginning when the new equipment has been placed in service.

The fire department's current aerial truck is more than 25-years-old and although it's in working condition, a lot of time and money is spent on maintenance. The new vehicle, however, will offer significant technological advancements as well as a new design that not

only facilitates firefighters getting into buildings, but will help people get out as well.

The mid- and high-rise residence halls on campus are among some of the tallest buildings in Salisbury; standing at seven stories, or about 60 feet.

"It makes sense that we'd be the primary beneficiary of this because our residence halls generate a unique requirement of them," said Vice President of Administration and Finance Greig Mitchell.

This donation is the single largest amount SU has allotted to the city. Currently, the university also pledges an annual \$70,000 to Salisbury for police and fire protection of University Park.

"This is the latest example of the expanding partnership that exists between the City of Salisbury and Salisbury University," said Mayor Barrie P. Tilghman.

Funding for the donation came from an

allocation in SU's general operating budget; therefore, it has no effect on tuition fees.

"It's ironic, after making this investment I hope we never have to use it directly," said Mitchell. "We don't want to have a fire, but if we do it's reassuring to me and to students and parents that the local community has the capability to help protect us."

Over the years, the university has also made smaller, less-publicized contributions to Salisbury. When the University Park complex was constructed, SU agreed to voluntarily pay approximately half of what the normal tax bill would be for that space.

In addition, SU also granted a land easement at the intersection of Bateman and South Division, installed streetlights in the Clairmont Village area and are currently redesigning the dynamics of the back access road behind Fulton and Smith Street. Mitchell explained that the new alignment is

expected to improve the traffic flow along College Avenue.

"A big thing that a lot of folks overlook is the economic benefit to the area," he said. "They did a study two years ago and the value of us being here puts approximately \$350 million a year back into the pockets of local residents."

Including the new investment, SU's direct annual support for public safety has now reached \$110,000.

"This investment by Salisbury University will enhance our ability to save lives, prevent serious injury and protect personal property when the time comes," said Chief David B. See of the Salisbury Fire Department.

"I just think this is another piece of the pie in terms of the cooperation between the city and the university, and how much we really appreciate their services," said Mitchell.

\$5.3 million donated to Nursing program

By Byron Hurd
Staff Writer

The Salisbury University Foundation will receive a gift of \$5.3 million from the estate of Lucy Tull, the largest gift the foundation has ever received from an individual donor.

The majority of the gift, \$4.8 million, will be used to establish the Lucy Tull Scholarship Program. This program will provide financial aid to local students seeking degrees in medically-related fields.

To be eligible for this aid, students must reside in Wicomico, Worcester or Somerset counties and be in some medically related field such as nursing or physical therapy.

"This is a wonderful gift to Salisbury University and residents of Wicomico, Worcester, and Somerset county," said Dr. Susan Battistoni, chair of the SU Nursing department. "It provides the means and opportunity for many current and future students

to obtain an excellent education in varied health related fields as well as those planning to teach biology or chemistry in high schools - for this we are certainly appreciative."

The remaining \$500,000 will become the foundation for the Lucy Tull Nursing Department Enhancement Fund, providing funding for personnel and equipment. The Nursing Department has also dedicated the Lucy Tull Nursing Learning Resource Laboratory in her memory.

Tull lived the last forty years of her life on the Eastern Shore and had family and friends in Worcester and Somerset counties. She died in June of last year.

Tibetan Singing Bowls presentation enlightens audience

By Corey Meissner
Staff Writer

Feng-shui practitioner Lainie Wrightson came to Salisbury University last Thursday, demonstrating the art of the Tibetan singing bowls. Though the weather outside was frigid, nearly 50 students and community members gathered in the Great Hall of Holloway, braving the cold to hear Wrightson's lecture.

Wrightson has been working with these bowls since 2001; she began her speech by explaining a little about her discovery of the art.

"There are literally thousands of prayers in the essence of each bowl."

Lainie Wrightson
Feng-shui practitioner

"I found that with the use of sound, we could actually move energy, and we could clear energy, with our voices, with the bells. I came back with this craving to learn more about what I could do with these things. I use the bowls for medita-

tion, for yoga, for therapy, and I've brought them into the wilderness," she explained.

During the demonstration Wrightson showed the audience two different types of bowls she uses in her work. She began with her set of metal bowls, stating, "The ancient cultures knew the power of sound. In ancient China, the first metal bowls were created. They were made from gold, silver, copper, mercury, iron, tin, and lead. The minerals were indigenous to the area." Today's bowls are mainly made of copper and tin.

The manner in which these bowls

are formed is even more important than the materials used to create them. "With each hammer, there is a prayer said," Wrightson explained. "There are literally thousands of prayers in the essence of each bowl, so they are truly sacred."

In addition to the metal bowls, Wrightson brought a large set of crystal bowls, an art that she said was "recently rediscovered" about 25 years ago. Made of 99.9% quartz crystal, her bowls varied greatly in size, thickness, and pitch. Each bowl that she brought sounded a



Sarah Wright photo

Lainie Wrightson demonstrates the singing bowls to her audience.

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Story Brief

Men's Basketball takes out St. Mary's

Salisbury University evened their season series with St. Mary's College winning at home 84-77, in the Coach versus Cancer game on Thursday. The Gulls jumped out early to a 5-0 lead and would not look back.

Senior guard Ray Williams scored a game-high 29 points, going five for seven from behind the three-point line. Salisbury (12-10, 7-6 CAC) led by as many as 15 in the first half but St. Mary's (11-10, 6-7 CAC) cut that lead to eight at the half, going into the break with the score at 44-36.

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News briefs

COOL BEANS GETS NEW FOOD
Cool Beans has started selling Jimmy Dean breakfast sandwiches this past week. The new additions include items from French toast eggs to sausage gravy stuffed-biscuits which range from two to three dollars and are ready to eat within seconds of microwaving.

FACULTY SPEAKS ABOUT UNDERGROUND RAILROAD

As part of Black History Month, Dr. Clara Small, history professor, will be discussing the history of the Underground Railroad especially on the Eastern Shore. The seminar is Thursday at 3:30 p.m. in room 109 of the East Campus Complex and is open to everyone. Small has written a paper on the subject which has been included in the book "A History of African-Americans on Maryland's and Delaware's Eastern Shore." Call 410-543-6312 or visit the <http://nabbhistory.salisbury.edu>.

THINKING MAN SERIES BEGINS THURSDAY

As part of the Thinking Man Series the Muslim Student Association will be showing the movie "Anybody's Son Will Do," a film about the business of war. The screening of the film will take place in Henson room 107 on Thursday from 5-6:30 p.m. The Thinking Man Series is a group of movies hosted by the MSA to arouse thoughts about certain issues faced by Muslims.

SALISBURY HOSTING EVENTS TO PROTEST DARFUR

Thursday at 8 p.m. the Gulls Nest will host an open mic night to call attention to the events in Darfur. On Tuesday of the following week there will be a faculty discussion on Darfur. Speakers include Dr. Phil Bosserman, retired Conflict Resolution and Sociology professor, Dr. Kwaku Nnamah, Sociology and Conflict Resolution professor, Dr. Darrell Newton of the communication department and Dr. Katherine Barrett-Gaines, an African History professor at UMES. During the rest of the week Amnesty International will be hosting write-a-thons with the goal of writing 1000 letters to congressmen to help stop the violence in Darfur.

Alcohol program now required for freshmen

By Sarah Lake
Life and Style Editor

An online alcohol awareness pilot program is being conducted and, according to school officials, may become a required aspect of the freshmen ASAP classes.

Alcohol-Wise, a four-lesson course that can be completed in about an hour, was created by 3rd Millennium Classrooms as an effective and affordable online alcohol education course for large student groups. The program provides new students with a baseline of knowledge about alcohol along with personalized feedback that could increase students' awareness of their own behavior with alcohol.

According to Vice President of Student Affairs Dane Foust, the program serves to make freshmen alcohol awareness education both easier and more practical.

He said, "There are three main

highlights of the course: First, since students spend so much time online, it fits in with their online learning style. Second, students can go at their own pace. You do not have to complete the entire thing in one sitting. You can log off and go back to it a few days later. And finally, we can begin getting the message of safety out to freshmen before their arrival on campus. We sent packets home before the semester began so that students were able to look at the information before they started their ASAP classes."

Students complete two assessment tests prior to the course: the e-Check alcohol assessment and the e-Check marijuana assessment. From these tests, students are provided with the following results: his or her typical drinking behavior, calories based on number of drinks, time spent "high" on marijuana, estimated spending on alcohol

of marijuana and family history and negative consequence risk factors. The tests are repeated 30 days after completion of the course as a means of collection of comparative data for outcome reports.

Director of New Student Experience Lawanda Dockins-Gordy split the spring 2007 freshmen class in half, putting half of the students in the pilot program and half of the students in the traditional in-class program. Director of Health Services Jen Berkman then does a presentation for each class, slightly modifying the Alcohol-Wise students' presentation toward the online component.

Foust said, "If the program does what we want, we'll continue with [it]. The cost of the course is about \$7 per student so we need to make sure that it is a good investment."

Officials are looking at two

main components to decide whether the program becomes a permanent aspect of SU's curriculum. First, officials want to make sure that students are learning more.

Foust said, "We have clearly been successful so far. The test results show improvement. We will conduct the 30-day follow-up assessments to gauge how much the students actually remember."

Second, officials are hoping that the new course will increase civic responsibility. Alcohol violations through the SU judicial system will be examined to see if there is a difference between students who did the online course and students who did the traditional in-class course.

According to Foust, if Alcohol-Wise shows positive results, the University will continue to enroll students in the program for the upcoming fall semester.

Crime beat

2/02/07 9:00 p.m.-9:12 p.m.

Alcohol Violation
An underage student was found to be in possession of alcoholic beverages in the Devilbiss Parking Lot.

2/03/07 2 a.m. - 4 a.m.

Theft
A student reported a camera had been stolen from Severn Hall by a UMES visitor. Investigation by University Police resulted in the recovery of the camera. University Judicial charges are pending.

2/04/07 3:54 a.m. - 4:03 a.m.

Intoxicated Subject
University Police responded to Pocomoke Hall for an intoxicated student. University Judicial charges are pending.

2/07/07 1:20 a.m. - 1:30 a.m.

Injured Subject
University Police responded to Chopin Hall for an injured student. The student was transported to PRMC for treatment.

New smoking policy approved

By Victoria Jordan
Staff Writer

This semester President Dudley-Eschbach has approved a new policy for designated smoking areas at all campus buildings.

The policy will not allow smoking within 30 feet of any entrance. Reasoning behind the new plan comes from multiple complaints from faculty, staff, and students who were being exposed to second hand smoke.

Jennifer Berkman, Administrative director of student health services, said "We are getting really nice benches, urns for the cigarettes, and possibly ways to keep the areas weather protected." Salisbury University received a grant from the Wicomico County health department for \$14,000, and \$11,000 of which have been spent on the new benches for the project. "We are trying to keep it fun, we're thinking about even buying

candy cigarettes to promote the plan," said Berkman. Students will be left in charge of enforcing whether or not the designated areas are utilized, as it is a self-monitored program. "We searched many different policies, and we even surveyed students, and even the smokers said that they would approve this policy," Berkman emphasized that they were not trying to tell smokers that they could not smoke, but rather "just asking them to do it in a designated area."

When asked how she felt about the plan, freshman Lindsay Mombberger stated, "I think it's good for both smokers and non smokers, because the smokers get a nice area, and the non smokers aren't dealing with the second hand, it's just mutual respect between students."

The formal announcement is being delayed until the designated areas are actually built, which should occur mid semester.

Updated laundry system starts at SU

By Samantha Schlepner
Staff Writer

In the coming weeks, Salisbury University's residence halls will be the newest participants in the online laundry room management system, Laundry View, which has been the most recent fashion of colleges and universities around the country.

The University's current laundry room provider, Laundry View is a new internet Web site that allows students to monitor the sta-

tus of washers and dryers online, without having to run to the laundry room. By logging on to the Web site from an on-campus computer, students can check which machines are in use, how much time is left until they are available and which machines are out of order. If registered with the Web site, students can set up for an email notification letting them know when a machine is open or when their laundry is done. The website also sends out bi-weekly usage reports to show residents

how busy the laundry rooms are at all hours.

"Gone are the days of rolled quarters and sitting on top of machines, waiting for the wash to be done. This new system will make doing laundry easier for students who often have to fit it around their busy schedules," declared Assistant Director of Residence Life Byron Hughes.

The price of doing laundry in the dorms will not be affected since students pay for laundry through their room and board fees.

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different note, and corresponded with one of the seven spiritual centers of energy.

Community member Myra Ramsey said, "You could actually feel the bowls affecting your body."

"I find that they've instilled within me the desire to explain that they're more than just musical instruments," Wright continued. "I went from being asthmatic to

non-asthmatic after working with the bowls for just a few months. They cleared what has been a life-long affliction."

Wrighton ended the evening by encouraging the audience to close their eyes and concentrate on the ringing of the crystal bowls as she rang them, producing strong tones and intense interactions between the bowls.

Audience members reacted quite positively to the lecture. Sophomore

Emily Huff said, "It seemed really cool, especially when she had us close our eyes. It was very relaxing."

Nancy Murphy, a Salisbury resident, agreed adding, "I was very interested. I liked the idea that these bowls were intended to people's bodies."

Salisbury University's East Meets West lecture series continues on Wednesday, Feb. 21, at 7 p.m. as Kristen Mason demonstrates Tai Chi.

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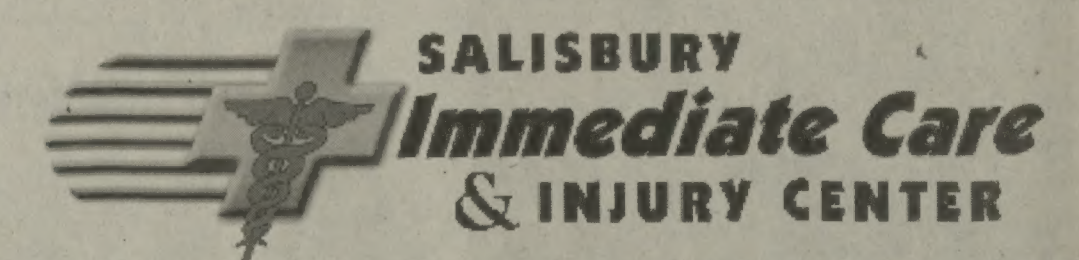
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EDITORIAL

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Overheard: What would you like someone to do for you for Valentine's Day?

Photos and article by: Sarah Wright



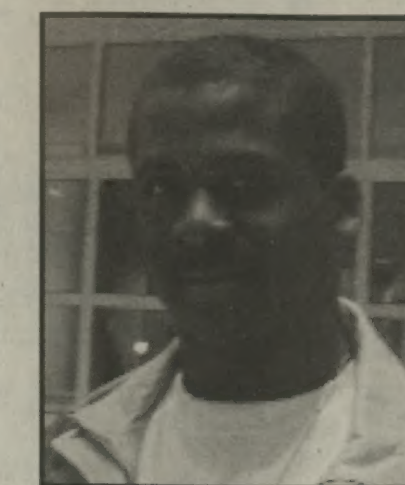
"To be surprised."

— Cliff Volatile, sophomore



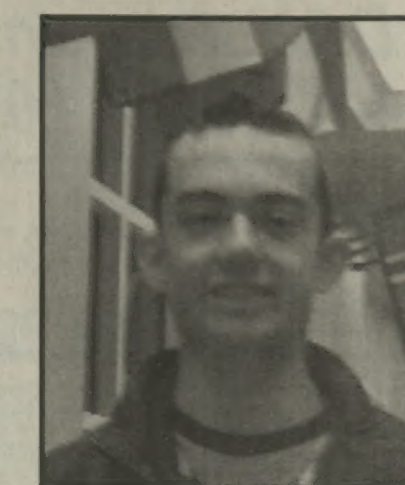
"Definitely jewelry."

— Eric Buhlman, senior



"A doll, a teddy bear and a call on the phone."

— Henry Basah, junior



"A box of wine."

— Rick Reges, junior



"I would say chocolates."

— Ryan Miller, junior

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Letter From the Editor

Armageddon averted

By Justin Ritter
Editorial Editor

For a long time, I have observed fundamental problems in life; immensely concentrated on such subjects as the fear of poverty, spouse-ability, and notoriety, we all have many issues that can plague the levels of happiness in our lives. There is an immense joy, however, in the dim limits of satisfaction we receive in our life, if somehow we could imagine a state of nature not as pleasurable as the one in which we live.

Vasily Arkhipov, a Russian submarine commander during the Cold War era, may have been the most significant person in the 20th century. And yet, most of his "global life-saving" deeds have gone virtually unnoticed.

Imagine the date was October 27, 1962, during the Cuban Missile Crisis; U.S. Navy destroyers had trapped a B-59 Russian nuclear submarine near the coast of Cuba. As the Navy destroyers

began to drop depth charges, the captain of the submarine feared the worst—that the Soviet Union had gone to war with the United States. In retaliation, Captain Valentin Savitsky prepared to fire nuclear-armed missiles aimed directly towards Florida.

But in order to do so, the three officers on board the submarine had to agree unanimously in favor of launching at the United States. The lone opponent towards the plan of launching the Russian nukes was Commander Arkhipov. Viciously grappling with the Captain, while at many leagues under the sea, Arkhipov eventually calmed the enraged captain. The submarine then surrendered to the U.S. Navy Destroyers; and thus, a probable Nuclear War was averted.

At the conference commemorating the 40th anniversary of the Cuban Missile Crisis in Havana, Robert McNamara, former defense secretary for John F. Kennedy, stated that the world

had come "within a hair's breadth of nuclear disaster." Thomas Blanton, director of the National Security Archive, stated "a guy called Vasily Arkhipov saved the world."

Now, imagine the world without Vasily Arkhipov; had he not been on that submarine, had he not spoke, his silence could have meant betrayal to the world as Dr. Martin Luther King once said in a similar fashion.

There is reason to be joyous in the world around us. There isn't a greater threat to life than the possible event of doomsday, which may have been prevented by the hands and through the words of this one man. All the unsatisfactory yokes of life, of our current human condition, would be so insignificant when compared to the condition of the world had the Soviet commander not averted a nuclear world war between the Soviet Union and the U.S. over 40 years ago.

Stupid News

By Amanda Hailey
Staff Writer

What's my name again?

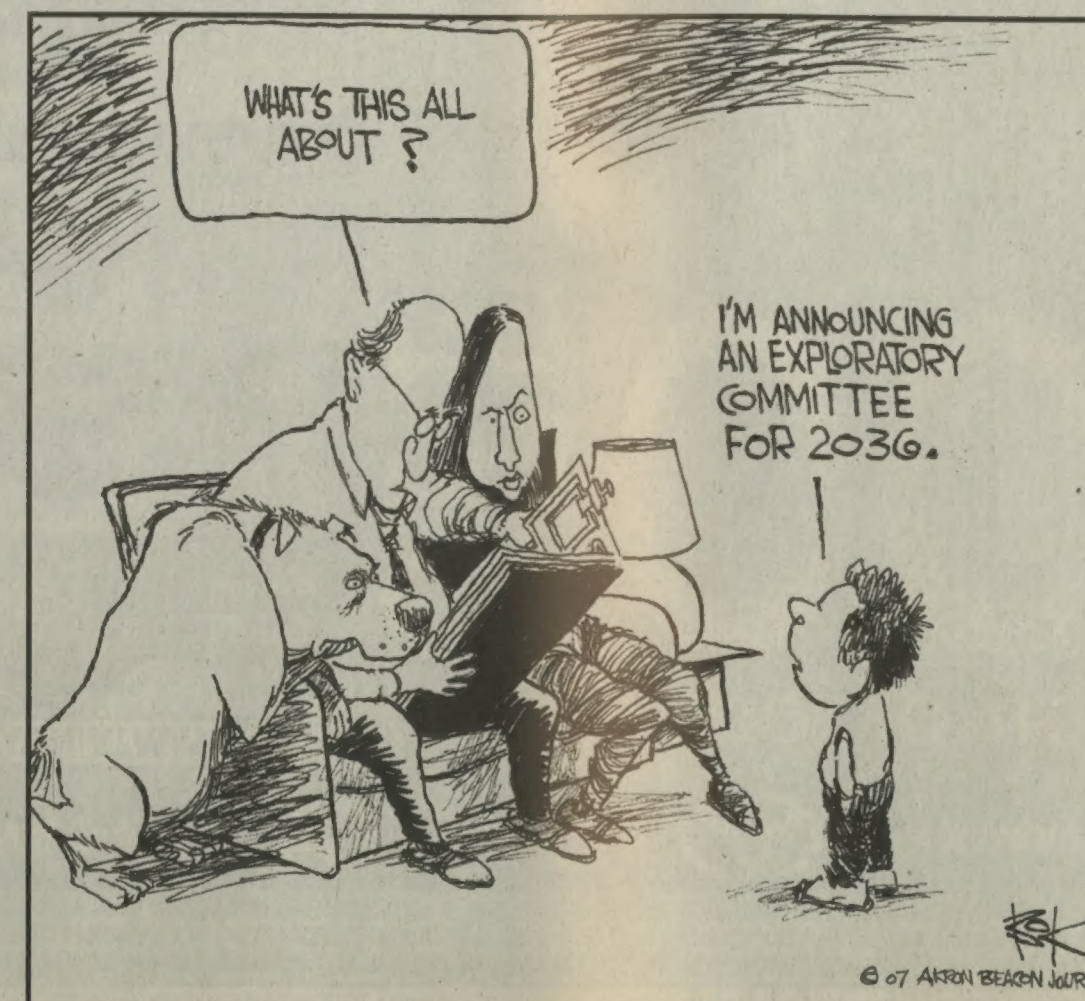
Decatur, Illinois — One Chicago Bears fan will be changing his name to Peyton Manning after losing a bet he made. Scott Wieser is planning to legally change his name after signing a pledge at a Decatur bar to do so if the Bears lost. Wieser currently has a petition going for the name change, although it is not clear how long he has to keep the name change.

Please put clothes on

Brattleboro, Vermont — A 46-year old man has been accused of riding a gondola, naked, at a mountain resort in Vermont. The man was charged with federal lewd and lascivious conduct and misdemeanor marijuana possession. A witness who informed the ski lift attendants of the man riding nude on the gondola also said he was touching himself inappropriately during the ride. The man has pleaded not guilty to the charges.

Warning: Dogs bite

Wellington, New Zealand — After being cornered on a cliff by a police dog, one of two robbery suspects decided to engage and bite the dog. The dog, of course, bit the robber back and won the fight. The other suspect jumped off the cliff to the police officers below.



~SUDOKU~

The Rules of Sudoku

The classic Sudoku game involves a grid of 81 squares. The grid is divided into nine blocks, each containing nine squares.

The rules of the game are simple: each of the nine blocks has to contain all the numbers 1-9 within its squares. Each number can only appear once in a row, column or box.

The difficulty lies in that each vertical nine-square column, or horizontal nine-square line across, within the larger square, must also contain the numbers 1-9, without repetition or omission.

Every puzzle has just one correct solution. Good luck.

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8	4	9						

Difficulty Rating: Hard

Solution to last week's puzzle:

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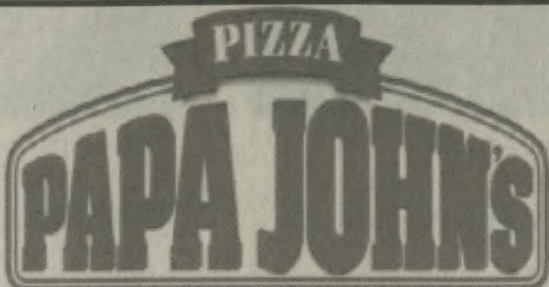
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2007 Diversity Award nominations approaching

By Nicole Janer
Staff Writer

What is diversity? Diversity is the acceptance and respect for the views of people based on race, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, gender, language, sexual orientation, religion, geographic region, marital status and disabilities.

Salisbury University officials make an effort every year to keep the campus diverse. The admission process is one that requires rigorous sorting of candidates based on many criteria. It is important that the campus at SU remains diverse not only among the students but with staff and faculty as well. Efforts that help meet S.U.'s diversity goals do not go unnoticed or unappreciated.

The 2007 Diversity Awards are approaching and nominees are much needed. Do you know anyone who is actively involved with diversity on campus? The Office of Diversity is seeking students, faculty, and staff who have participated

in any activities that promote understanding and respect for all people.

An eligible nominee could be a student who is eager and enthusiastic about having the opportunity to learn in such a diverse environment. A nominee could also be a member of our staff who supports programs and educational opportunities to learn about diversity and spreads the value of being diverse. A nominee should be willing to learn and educate others on the benefits, principles, and the self-gratification of diversity.

All nominations can be submitted to the Office of Diversity. One will need to complete the application and submit a letter with an explanation and background of the person being nominated. All nominations must be submitted by March 16, 2007. For more information please contact the Office of Diversity by phone at 410-543-6426 or visit the web site at www.salisbury.edu/diversity.

SU and UMES collaborate for job fair, future events

By Rachel Lopez
Staff Writer

Salisbury University and the University of Maryland Eastern Shore are two schools that are only about 15 minutes away from each other, yet interaction between the two is minimal. The most interaction that SU students have with the neighboring campus is a chance meeting at the local Wal-Mart or the few dances or fashion shows that are held each year. All of that is about to change.

Career Services at SU and UMES have teamed up and decided that a joint education job fair at the UMES campus would be a great and effective way to bring the two universities together. SU Director of Career Services Dr. Rebecca Emery said, "It just made sense to do this event. They sometimes get companies that we don't get and we get companies that they don't get. So we thought we would pull our resources together and create something that is better for both sets of students."

Job fairs in general are a great way to both meet employers and have employers meet you. Emery said, "You get a lot of bang for your buck. You walk into a room and there are 40-50 people that could potentially hire you."

Salisbury University holds many job fairs throughout the year. This semester alone there will be four additional fairs held on-campus: medical and social services, education, general, and summer employment.

When asked about the certain items one should bring to a job fair, Emery said, "Students should dress professionally because it is the first time they are meeting employers. It is a great idea to look nice. Secondly, bring copies of your resume so you can hand them out."

The job fair will be from 2-5 p.m. on March 8, 2007 in the athletic center at UMES. Buses will be en route back and forth from UMES to ensure that all students who wish to attend will get that chance. Additionally, assigned parking will be available to those students attending who will have their own transportation.

The joint job fair will be an

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Rebecca Emery
Director of Career Services

annual event. The location will flip-flop each year between both campuses. Emery stated, "We have a nice working relationship with the other office. We will often be on the phone with each other trading ideas and information."

For more information on job fairs, visit the Career Services website at www.salisbury.edu/careerservices.

In celebration of Black History month, The Flyer presents: A Leading Abolitionist of Slavery

By Hianna Adrian
Staff Writer

During the course of his life, Frederick Douglass escaped from slavery, became internationally renowned for his eloquence in the cause of liberty, and went on to serve the national government in several official capacities.

Through his work, Douglass came into contact with many of the leaders of his time, including President Abraham Lincoln. He met a wide array of abolitionists and social reformers, including William Lloyd Garrison, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, John Brown, and many others. As a major stationmaster on the Underground Railroad, he directly helped hundreds on their way to freedom. But who exactly was this man?

Frederick Douglass was born into slavery on Holmes Hill Farm, near the town of Easton on Maryland's Eastern Shore. He was given the name Frederick Augustus Washington Bailey after his mother, Harriet Bailey. The name Douglass came from one of the characters in Sir Walter Scott's *The Lady of the Lake*.

In his early years, Douglass was exposed to the degradations of slavery; witnessing brutal whippings and spending much of his time cold and hungry. When he was eight, Douglass was sent to Baltimore to live with a ship carpenter named Hugh Auld. There, he learned to read and first heard the words and ideas of abolitionists. Douglass would later say that going to Baltimore "laid the foundation, and opened the gateway, to all my subsequent prosperity."

By 1860 Douglass had become renowned for his participation in the abolition cause. He lectured throughout the US and England on the brutality and immorality of slavery. As a publisher, his *North Star* and *Frederick Douglass' Paper* brought news of the anti-slavery movement to thousands.

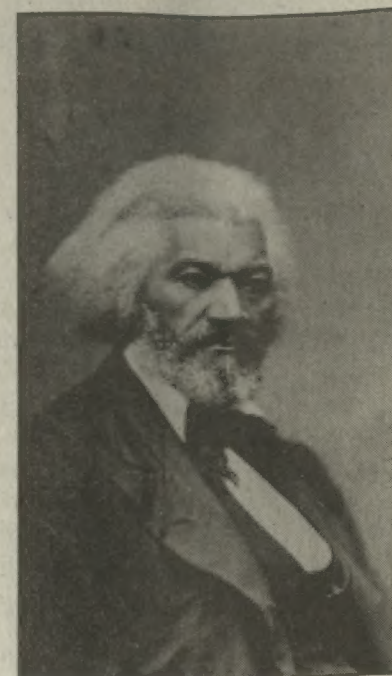
During the Civil War, President Lincoln and Union leaders were not sure how they felt about enlisting black troops. Douglass became a consultant to President Lincoln and helped convince him that slaves should serve in the Union forces and that the abolition of slavery should

be a goal of the war. African Americans would finally get their chance to fight for both their rights and their country. Two of Douglass' sons served in the 54th Massachusetts Regiment, which was made up entirely of African American volunteers.

Douglass published his autobiography; *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, An American Slave*, in 1845.

In 1872, Douglass moved to Washington, DC where he initially served as publisher of the *New National Era*; a publication intended to carry forward the work of elevating the position of African Americans in the post-Emancipation period. During this period, Douglass also served briefly as president of the Freedmen's National Bank, and subsequently in various national service positions; including US Marshal for the District of Columbia, and diplomatic positions in Haiti and the Dominican Republic.

Information taken from: <http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/aia/part4/4p1539.html>



Frederick Douglass
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Best Buddies comes to life at SU

By Amanda Hailey
Staff Writer

In the warmth of the Fireside Lounge, Kasey Wright's face lights up when she starts talking about the Best Buddies Program. Wright, the College Buddy Director at SU, is in her second semester with the program. This is her first semester as director.

Wright is extremely pleased with the turnout of the Best Buddies interest meeting held on Thursday night. "I know from experience the rewards that everyone in the program can gain from participating. You get a lot more out of it than you realize," she said.

The stated mission of the Best Buddies Organization is to enrich the lives of those with intellectual disabilities by establishing opportunities for integrated employment and one-to-one friendships. There are six different Best Buddies programs offered: Best Buddies Middle Schools, Best Buddies High Schools, Best Buddies Colleges, Best Buddies Citizens, Best Buddies Jobs and e-Buddies. There are more than 1,300 Best Buddies chapters around the world. Accredited Programs are offered in places such as Australia, Canada, Cuba, and Hong Kong, as well.

Last spring, only a handful of SU students participated, according to Wright. This spring, she thinks that numbers may have more than tripled.

"The Best Buddy program at SU basically disappeared after last spring, due to people graduating and leaving. Remaining members spent the fall semester working hard to get the program organized at SU for the spring semester," said Wright.

While not formally recognized as an SU club, Wright has the paperwork and intentions of changing that.

The Best Buddy program at SU will be coordinated with Lower Shore Enterprises in Salisbury. Wright, along with the rest of the Best Buddies team at SU; Activities Coordinator Amy Moore, Treasurer Leah McCann, Membership Coordinator Daphni McRann, and a representative from Lower Shore Enterprises; will be making the matches. The objective is to match one student from SU with one individual from Lower Shore.

Students participating in the program are encouraged to meet at least two times a month with their buddy. There are various activities that students can do with their best



Brian McMullen photo

Last Thursday, Best Buddies held their first interest meeting in the Fireside Lounge.

buddy; ranging from going to dinner to going bowling. There are also extra activities being discussed for this semester. "These people have been waiting a really long time to have buddies. They need someone to count on, someone to take them places," says Wright.

Wright uses words such as "fun" and "personal" when describing the Best Buddies program. Any student can get involved. There are no membership costs to join; students only need to fill out a few forms.

Students, who cannot take the time to become a Buddy, can participate by helping out with activities instead.

For more information on the Best Buddies Program, you can visit their website at www.bestbuddies.org, or you can contact Kasey Wright, College Buddy Director, at kw13667@students.salisbury.edu. Students can also stop by Career Services for pamphlets on the program and for further information.

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To be honest, with you Mr. Advice...I didn't expect school to pick up so quickly from the break, but it has. Now, the unfortunate part about that is, I can't really hang out with my girlfriend on Valentine's Day because my schedule is packed and she's working during the night when I'm free. I'm sure she understands that it doesn't work this year on the 14th, but I still get this gut feeling she's not happy that we aren't celebrating it on the actual day. Any suggestions?

I can see why she's a little down. Maybe it would be because it's that day where they can say, "I do have a valentine!" However, no one said you couldn't celebrate it during that week, the weekend before, or the weekend after. Sometimes things just don't work out as planned and that's when you have to resort to plan B or plan C or so on. It's always good to have back up plans; which actually should be a general rule for life because sometimes it just doesn't always go your way. Maybe you could surprise her by finding out what she's doing the weekend before or after WITHOUT giving away your plans. It might not be easy to ask and not give away what you're doing but it can be done. Also, another suggestion may be to surprise her on the morning of Valentine's Day before her day actually begins since you cannot spend the night out with her for dinner. Being spontaneous and being a sweetheart usually scores good points on her scoreboard. And as far as ideas on what to do, I'll let you decide what surprises she gets this year.

I'm sure you've probably been told this a million times but I have a crush on someone I work with and I'm really interested in how to show her or let her know. I was thinking that maybe when she walks in one day I could surprise her with flowers or something, but I'm not sure. Or maybe something like, seeing what she's doing for lunch. I mean I've got a lot of ideas, but I'm just not sure. I need help or assistance.

First things first, you should find out what the company policies are about dating in the work place. They may have a specific set of rules of which they will or will not accept behaviors. To be safe, not sorry, the lunch idea isn't so bad because it's not dealing within the work area. If you decide you want to confess anything or make a move, your job won't be at risk. As far as my advice goes, you should really find out if there are any rules because you want the girl but you don't want to lose your job.

Advice of the week:

Valentine's Day is coming yet again and whether or not you have a valentine you should still be out and about doing things and not let it get you down. In other words, sometimes people feel that because they don't have a valentine that they should feel down and in the dumps. Well, I'm here to tell you that this shouldn't be the case because while it is a celebration of the works of St. Valentine, there shouldn't be law to shun those who are single. In fact, it is for these singles as well. Maybe have a night out with friends after the day is over, make a movie night with roommates, or just hang out. There's no point in getting down because that will get you nowhere fast. Just enjoy this time and make it a good one with loved ones, friends, or roommates because depending on your job/academic work load, you may not know when the next time that'll be. So have fun!

Salisbury offers dining options for V-day

By Diana Westenberger
Staff Writer

Valentine's Day is just one day away and the perfect spot for a romantic dinner with that special someone can be found right here in Salisbury. Regardless of what many believe, there are a variety of places to eat other than the row of fast food establishments on Route 13.

If seafood is the direction you want to go to impress your date, Waterman's Cove, located off of Snow Hill Road, is a great pick. This restaurant provides delicious seafood in a casual setting; including a full service bar and lounge. When entering Waterman's, guests are warmly greeted not only by the courteous staff, but also by the

friendly faces of the local diners. The old-world feel when enjoying the fresh seafood makes you feel right at home. Dinner entrees begin at just \$14.99 and all are accompanied by your choice of two vegetables. This hometown establishment would be a perfect choice to astonish your date.

If a more modern place is what you are looking for, City Bistro off of West Main Street, is the perfect spot. Hidden in downtown Salisbury, this quaint setting features gourmet Vietnamese infused with a classic American flare. From the moment you enter City Bistro, the contemporary style and the young, hip vibe is overwhelming. Being located downtown, a roman-

tic walk around the charming stores would be the perfect prequel to a delicious dinner. The unique cuisine starts at just \$13.95 and has something for everyone. The wine and martini selection is remarkable and is sure to leave an impression on your companion.

For a classic experience with a more affordable menu, Fratelli's Restaurant and Lounge is an excellent choice. Located behind GUC in the Allenwood shopping center, Fratelli's is the ideal spot if you live on campus. Once you enter the restaurant, the warm atmosphere and smells of authentic Italian food is overpowering. All entrees include unlimited refills of their Garden Salad and homemade

breadsticks. Fratelli's is able to keep prices low by making all of their pasta fresh, on their premises, from the finest ingredients. The setting and fine cuisine is guaranteed to astound any date without putting a hole in your wallet.

These are some of the top picks in Salisbury if a romantic Valentine's Day date is what you are looking for. Salisbury has much more to offer than Hardees and KFC, if you just look for it. Each one of these restaurants has its own unique style and flavor, and is sure to please anyone. So whether it is your first date or second Valentine's Day together, one of these picks is the right choice for you!

Students brave frigid temperatures

By Samantha Schleupner
Staff Writer

During the transition from January to February, it seems that the weather has abruptly moved from fall to winter. This change toward the frigid climate has been felt by everyone who has taken a walk around the Salisbury University campus.

For the state of Maryland, January is normally the coldest month of the year. However, it has been quite the opposite in 2007 with high temperatures ranging from 30 degrees to 69 degrees.

So far, February's average highs have been in the mid 30s. At night, the temperatures have dropped down to as low as 6 degrees. That doesn't even factor in the wind chill. Winds 25-30 mph have caused temperatures to feel three times colder than they really are outside; making it especially chilly walking between classes. Students

have bundled themselves up as if on an Antarctic escape to make a 10-minute journey to Fulton and Henson.

The well-known parking problem at Salisbury University has not been forgotten in these chilly days. With limited parking on campus and more and more students forced to walk, there is a greater chance for health-related issues due to the extremely cold weather.

"Because of how windy it has been, walking has been especially hard on students. Even with access to the shuttle, which isn't always on time, some of us are forced to walk to get to class," said junior Sally Johnson, a resident of University Park. "It's not worth buying a parking pass because it is impossible to find a spot on campus any time of day."

On Monday, a campus health alert was sent out to the student body warning them of the effects of the frigid temperatures. [They]

stated that a 10 to 15 minute walk or bike ride with exposed skin could result in hypothermia or frostbite, and encouraged students to cover ears, face, neck, fingers, hands, and feet at all times. The warning also asked students to limit outdoor exercise and avoid walking when temperatures are at their lowest; particularly at night. Some of the best materials students use to beat the cold weather include wearing a hat or headband, gloves, scarves, and warm socks or shoes.

Staying well-hydrated while walking and wearing layered, loose-fitting clothing will help maintain body warmth and keep students healthy while battling the frozen tundra that has become Salisbury University.

Although Groundhog Day brought news of an early spring, Salisbury students who have yet to thaw out from their walks between classes beg to differ.

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Spring Preview

Spring athletics are right around the corner

By Joe Slaninka
Staff Writer

On Feb. 2, Groundhog Day, Punxsutawney Phil emerged from his stump and looked down to find that his shadow was nowhere in sight meaning that we can expect spring to come early this year. An early spring is good news for everyone especially for Salisbury University's spring sports teams as they prepare for their upcoming seasons.

Ranked No. 3 in the nation among Division III schools by Lacrosse Magazine, the Salisbury women's team has high hopes for the 2007 season. The Sea Gulls finished 17-2 (6-0 CAC) and captured their fourth consecutive conference championship in 2006. In their seventh NCAA tournament appearance out of the last eight years the 2006 squad was defeated in the South Regional finals by The College of New Jersey and they finished with a No. 3 ranking in the nation.

The Sea Gulls are lead by head coach Jim Nestor who is entering his thirteenth season as head coach. Salisbury has 17 returning players in 2007, including senior-midfielder Katie Simmons. Simmons was the team's leading goal scorer among underclassmen last year with 34. This year's schedule features a high caliber of competition which includes No. 1 Middlebury and second-ranked defending Division III National Champions The College of New Jersey. The Sea Gulls will also face five other Top 20 teams in 2007.

Salisbury's first contest will be on Feb. 22 at 3 p.m. as they face

Christopher Newport.

The Salisbury softball team is another team with high aspirations this spring. They are coming off a very successful season in 2006 as they finished with a 33-8 record (7-1 CAC), their tenth consecutive CAC title, and a No. 2 national ranking.

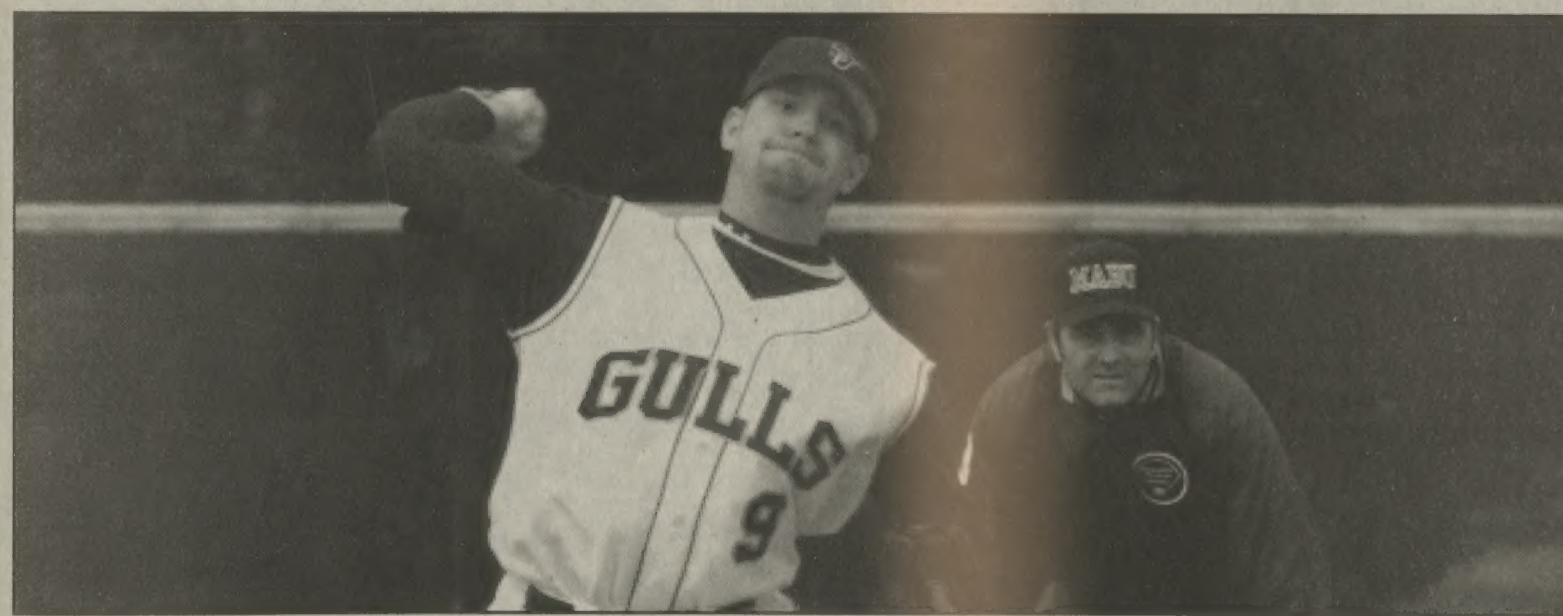
They are lead by head coach Margie Knight who is entering her tenth season with the Sea Gulls. Knight has been very successful in her tenure at Salisbury with a 374-96-1 record. The Sea Gulls are a young team with only two seniors, second basemen Nichole Fuqua and catcher Tee Dronenburg.

The team has high hopes this year as they search for their twelfth conference championship, eleven consecutive NCAA tournament appearances and their sixth World Series appearance.

The Sea Gulls' home opener is on Wednesday, March 7, against Washington College at 2 p.m.

Salisbury's men's and women's Track teams are coming off a very successful campaign in 2006. The men won their eighth consecutive CAC championship while the women placed second in the conference for the sixth straight season. Lead by head coach Jim Jones in his seventh year at Salisbury, both the men's and women's teams are looking to place high at every meet and to win the conference championship.

Spring is on its way and so are spring athletics, so don't be afraid to get out and enjoy the weather and support your Sea Gulls at the same time. Go Gulls!



Chris Baum photo

Spring sports are back again and one of the returning players, Jason Lively is shown pitching during a 2006 season game.

Letter from the Editor

Agent Zero is on point

By Shawn Nisson
Sports Editor

The lore of Gilbert Arenas is growing. The league's second highest scorer at 29 points per game and one of the most exciting players in the NBA is a tad eccentric to say the least.

From ripping his jersey off at the end of a game to throwing it into the crowd, to not leaving the hotel room when his team the Washington Wizards are traveling on the road. Arenas is different. Different in a good way, a very good way.

Gil was drafted 31st in the 2001 NBA draft by the lowly Golden State Warriors, every team in the league had a chance to draft Arenas and they all passed on him. Gil is one for vendetta's, and the chip he holds on his shoulder against everyone else in the league is crazy huge.

Arenas had a solid a rookie campaign that included being awarded with a rookie of the month award and many other accolades. After being selected for the NBA's most improved player award Gilbert faced

a tough decision in where he wanted to play next.

Gilbert was one of the most sought after free agents in the summer of 2003, and to decide where he was to play next Arenas flipped a coin ten times to decide between the Wizards and the Los Angeles Clippers. The coin landed in favor of Washington seven times and changed the franchises history forever.

Gilbert has been named to the all-star game in back-to-back years, this year overcoming a 500k vote differential behind Vince Carter to be a starter in this years game on Feb. 18. He now holds the franchise record for points in a game after dropping 60 on Kobe and the Lakers.

Gilbert scored 50 or more points three times in a span of 15 games; a feat accomplished by only the aforementioned "therapist" Bryant, and one Michael Jordan. Of the 10 50-point performances in franchise history the coin-flip kid has three of them. After tying Jordan's arena record of 51 points in a win over the Utah Jazz, Arenas joked that he was

happy Michael was past his prime when in Washington. Arenas likes to joke.

Mr. Hibachi has always been one to incite hilarity. When he was with Golden State he once licked off all the powdered sugar from a dozen donuts only to replace it with baby powder. Arenas would then stand around the corner and wait for unsuspecting teammates to dig into the pseudo-confectionary treat.

In a game during his rookie season Gilbert had a bad first half so he went into the locker room and took a shower; normal enough, except for the fact he was in his entire uniform.

The cold blooded manner in which he assassinates teams with his last second heroics is breathtaking. His game winning three-point shot against Milwaukee stands out the most. With the score tied and six seconds left on the clock, the Wiz in bounded the ball to Arenas and he drove down the court, took a peek down at his jump point and pop'd a game winning three in T.J. Ford's grill. Gil let it go and started to walk away, he didn't watch the ball go in,

there was no need to. "Once I let it go, I'm like 'That's in, I don't even need to look at this one,'" Arenas said.

Arenas is also a humanitarian with his "Gilbert Scores for Schools" program. The program is set up so that for every home game (41 in all), Gilbert will donate \$100 for every point he scores to a selected Washington metropolitan area public school.

Owner Abe Pollin has matched Arenas' efforts pledging the same amount for all of the Wizards road games. Gilbert has donated \$79,700 of his own money, and all together the program has raised \$141,100. Gil has also become a big brother to Andre McAllister, who lost his family in a house fire in December 2004, Andre lives with Arenas.

Arenas dubbed this season "The Takeover" and agent zero has grabbed quite a few hearts and minds. And on any given night at the Verizon Center there is one more nickname the fans chant for Gilbert: "M-V-P, M-V-P."

Former Gulls soar to Super Bowl victory



Dave Walston



Hunter Smith

By Laura Emmons
Staff Writer

It rained from start to finish. There were fumbles throughout the game, play after play was ruined by the slippery conditions.

It seemed a desperate situation for an indoor team, but the Colts took the lead in the second quarter. Early in the fourth quarter, defensive back Kelvin Hayden intercepted a pass from Rex Grossman and returned it 56-yards for a touchdown to put the game out of reach.

By the end of the fourth quarter, it was 29-17, Indianapolis. The crowd went wild as the Colts won their second championship game ever in franchise history; the team's first since winning Super Bowl V as the Baltimore Colts.

That night, Salisbury also had something to celebrate. Two former Sea Gulls, Colts head athletic trainer Hunter Smith and assistant athletic trainer Dave Walston, cheered from the sidelines as their team pulled off its first Super Bowl win in their 23 years playing for Indianapolis.

Smith, 57, is a Salisbury native. He was instrumental in bringing an athletic training program to Salisbury University. Walston, 43, is from nearby Denton, Maryland. He graduated from SU's athletic training program in 1987.

Smith came to Salisbury State University in 1972 with a B.S. from Florida State University and a M.A. from Tennessee Tech University. It was under his leadership that the Salisbury University Athletic Training Educational Program (ATEP) was created.

When Smith left SU in 1982, his former student Pat Lamboni became head athletic trainer for Salisbury University.

"Hunter gave me my chance here at Salisbury, and we've been friends ever since I came here in 1976," said Lamboni. "He's been my mentor, my confidante, and he's been a father figure. He's been everything as far as directing my career and we've got a very close friendship."

Lamboni formed the same type of mentor relationship with Dave Walston. "We've just been very close and it's kind of nice that you get a call from them from the Super Bowl saying 'Hey, we won,'" said Lamboni. "That's a pretty big deal."

Walston graduated from Salisbury in 1987. He obtained his master's degree at West Virginia University before becoming head athletic trainer at Bowie State University and later Morningside College in Iowa. He joined the Colts in 1993.

"I think they remembered that [internship] and when the position became available, he was lucky

enough to get it," says Lamboni. "He's an excellent athletic trainer on top of being the person that he is. When you talk to people out there they respect him for what he does. He's a great representative of Salisbury University."

Smith worked at William & Mary for a year after leaving SU. He joined the Colts in Baltimore in 1983 as assistant athletic trainer and became head athletic trainer a year later. He is now in his 23rd year as their head athletic trainer.

Smith and Walston may have reached the pinnacle of their careers, but they are not the first SU alumni to win a Super Bowl. Former Sea Gull Kevin Domboski went on to become assistant athletic trainer for the Ravens, who won a championship in 2001. Graduates from the program have achieved success at both national and collegiate levels.

"If your students are finding jobs and they're being successful, then there's not much you can ask for better than that," said Lamboni. "Our students are doing very well."

Since its creation, the Athletic Training Educational Program has grown from an internship program to a curriculum program, and finally to today's accredited program. It is nationally accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE). Admission to the program is selective, with around 32 students accepted in the major. "We really are pretty demanding on what they need to do as far as getting themselves ready to go out and find their first job," Lamboni said.

Once selected for the program, students have the opportunity to compete for the Hunter Smith Athletic Training Scholarship endowment, established to honor Smith for his leadership and his continued support of the program. The original goal for the endowment was \$40,000, but since its creation in 2001 it has reached over \$70,000. "Our goal is to get it to \$100,000 so we can really start giving a meaningful scholarship, or several. Hunter, as well as the Colts and a lot of the people in Salisbury, have been very supportive. It's been tremendous," said Lamboni.

The scholarship is awarded to athletic training majors based on academic, professional and community involvement. This year the scholarship was awarded to sophomore Pam Staso.

Smith and Walston continue to support the Hunter Smith Scholarship and have taken students for internships. "They give back and that says a lot about people," said Lamboni. "These are two guys who never forgot where they came from."

Questions or Comments for our Sports Editor?

E-mail flyersports@salisbury.edu to recommend a student athlete spotlight or submit general comments.

St. Mary's steals one from the Gulls at home

By Lindsey Van Coutren
Staff Writer

Salisbury University out rebounded St. Mary's College 46-35 but it wasn't enough; as the Gulls fell to their Capital Athletic Conference counterpart on Coaches versus Cancer night.

After dropping two straight games in the CAC Salisbury is now 12-10 on the season and .500 in the conference at 6-6, while St. Mary's improves to 9-11 and 4-7 in the conference.

The Gulls received a good all-around team effort with four players scoring in double figures lead by Senior Jessica Mills, who scored 15

points and pulled down five rebounds. Megan Phillips had 11 points, while Seniors Jenna Peters and Meghan Klug each contributed ten points.

The Gulls played well on the defensive end with an impressive performance out of Freshman Kylie Hall. "She played an outstanding game," said Sea Gulls Coach Bridget Benshelter. "Rebounding, she played a tough defense, and really tried to get good positioning on offense."

"Last night I just wanted to go out and play," said Hall. "Winning was the obvious goal, but I wanted to be proud of how I and my teammates played as well."

The Sea Hawks led by as many as 11 points in the second half, but the Gulls didn't quit and charged back to within three points just under the ten minute mark. However it wasn't enough as the Gulls couldn't overcome the deficit caused by 16 St. Mary's steals and Stephanie Saint-Aubin's 20 points.

"We'll get 'em in the playoffs, no doubt," said Hall. The Capital Athletic Conference Quarterfinals are on Feb. 20, so that wish may come true sooner than they think.

The Gulls face off with CAC foe Marymount University on Valentines day at 5:30 p.m.



Left: Junior Meghan Phillips takes the ball down court in their game versus St. Mary's. Right: Senior Jenna Peters goes up for a shot in the game.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

The Lady Gulls split a pair of games this week on the road, falling to No. 14 Mary Washington 72-51 on Tuesday, but then coming back to beat Catholic 73-71 in an exciting overtime win on Saturday night.

Four different Eagles scored in double figures for Mary Washington as they cruised to an easy victory. Jessica Mills led all scorers with 24 points and also pulled down a game-high nine rebounds. Mary Washington went into halftime up 33-18 and simply pulled away in the second half with their lead reaching 26 with less than five minutes left in the game.

It was a different story for Salisbury on Saturday. Down seven with four minutes left in regulation, the Gulls charged back and Janay Johnson hit a game-tying lay-up with 16 seconds left in regulation. The game remained close in the

extra period as the teams were tied at 71 with just 33 seconds remaining. Meghan Phillips had 16 points in the game as she pulled up to take a potential game winning jumper. She missed, but teammate Brianna Simpson grabbed the rebound and was fouled as she attempted the put-back. Simpson converted both free throws to give the Gulls the much needed victory. The Sea Gulls improve to 13-10 on the season, and 7-6 in the CAC. The win also makes Salisbury 3-0 in overtime games this season.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

The men's basketball team suffered two heartbreaking losses on the road this week just in time for Valentine's Day. On Tuesday the Gulls were down by one with four seconds remaining. Coming out of a time out, they in-bounded the ball to Senior guard Ray Williams who

had a game high 20 points.

Williams tried to get open but was unsuccessful as his shot was blocked by Mary Washington's Jon Pierce, who only moments earlier had hit the game-tying and go-ahead free throws. The Gulls led by as many as 11 in the first half and went into the break leading by four. It wasn't enough, as they fell 57-56.

On Saturday the Gulls seemed down and out, trailing by ten on the road with only 78 seconds remaining. Salisbury staged a raging comeback only to fall just short 74-72, giving Catholic the hard earned conference win. Segun Odumeru led Salisbury with 17 points and Ray Williams contributed 16 points. The team as a whole only shot 35.7 percent. The Gulls are now 12-11 overall and are 7-7 in Capital Athletic Conference play.

Men take out St. Mary's

By Shawn Nisson
Sports Editor

Salisbury University evened their season series with St. Mary's College winning at home 84-77, in the Coach versus Cancer game on Thursday. The Gulls jumped out early to a 5-0 lead and would not look back.

Senior guard Ray Williams scored a game-high 29 points, going five for seven from behind the three-point line. Salisbury (12-10, 7-6 CAC) led by as many as 15 in the first half, but St. Mary's (11-10, 6-7 CAC) cut that lead to eight at the half, going into the break with the score at 44-36.

The Sea Gulls had a healthy lead throughout the second half leading by as many as ten twice. Salisbury had to resist one last run by St. Mary's to secure the victory. The run came with Salisbury winning by ten and 4:27 left on the game clock. In just 65 seconds St. Mary's had trimmed the lead all the way down to two but that was the closest the Sea Hawks would get.

The Gulls missed four free-throws down the stretch to make it interesting, but held on for the conference win 84-77. Devin Jones scored 16 points and had three assists, while Segun Odumeru chipped in 12 points and five rebounds.

Sophomore Ozi Menakaya yanked down a game-high nine rebounds. The Gulls shot 50 percent in each half, to go along with shooting 8-of-12 from beyond the three-point line.

Salisbury also out-rebounded the Sea Hawks, 40-30. The Sea



Brian McMullen photo

Frank Gerald out-maneuvers his opponent for a layup in Thursday's game against St. Mary's.

Hawks were led by a pair of junior guards Tyson Lesesne, who scored 26 points, and Mike Smelkinson who dropped 23 points but it was all-for-not in the losing effort.

Salisbury will play conference foe Marymount on Wednesday Feb. 14 at 7:30 p.m. in Maggs Gym.



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The Men's Basketball team gets pumped up for Thursday's game against St. Mary's.

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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